

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Liqing Liu  
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Title: Use of aluminum in perforating and stimulating a subterranean formation  
and other engineering applications  
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**AMENDMENTS FILED WITH REQUEST  
FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Sir:

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.